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The C. & L. Road to Change Hands?

We learn from a reliable source that in all probability the Chesterfield & Lancaster railroad will soon pass into the hands of the Seaboard Air Line. Officials of the latter system, it is said, recently made a tour of inspection over the C. & L. road with the view of its purchase from the Pages, the present owners. If the property shall be taken over by the Seaboard it remains to be seen, of course, what will be done with it.

The plans of the Seaboard people, if they have any, are not known to the public. It is reasonable to suppose however, that they will extend the road to Lancaster, as originally designed. It is now, we believe, within about twenty miles of this place, its present western terminus being but a short distance beyond Lynchburg river.

The effect of the extension to Lancaster would be to afford transportation facilities with all its consequent advantages to one of the best and most prosperous portions of the county, a section that is not traversed by any railroad. More than one thriving town would spring up between here and Lynchburg river, to draw trade which now goes principally to Monroe, some to Kershaw and some to Lancaster. While the county as a whole would unquestionably be immeasurably benefited by the extension, and for that reason the coming of the road should be cordially welcomed, there may be room for difference of opinion as to how the town of Lancaster would be affected. It would lose some trade, it is true, but wouldn't the loss be infinitesimally small in comparison with the benefits accruing from an additional line of railway? In any event Lancaster will always maintain her supremacy as a market in this part of the country.

New Kind of Watermelon.

A recent issue of the Anderson Daily Mail contains an interesting editorial article on the new variety of watermelon with which the national department of agriculture is experimenting with apparent marked success. The article referred to is in part as follows:

In its efforts to introduce into the United States the best grain, vegetables, and fruits of foreign countries, the federal agricultural department has never been more interested in its experiments along that line than it now is in a new watermelon.

This particular variety of melon was found by Horace G. Knowles, late American minister to Roumania, growing in the foothills of the Carpathian Mountains in Roumania. The melons have a very thin skin, and the meat, which is less fibrous than our native melons, in color is both yellow and red and the flavor is exceedingly delicious. Besides its matchless flavor, it has another distinctive feature in its size, which is about that of a grapefruit.

It occurred to Minister Knowles that a watermelon of that size—just enough for one person—would find great favor in the United States. It seemed to him that it would be just the thing to serve in hotels, restaurants, clubs and on dining cars. They could be kept on ice, and a whole melon could be served as one portion.

Seeing the possible demand for such a melon in the United States, Minister Knowles obtained a large quantity of the seed and sent them, through the state department, to the department of agriculture.

Under the supervision of David

Fairchild, of the bureau of plant introduction of the agricultural department, who has achieved a wide reputation for the discovery and successful introduction in this country of many valuable foreign fruits and vegetables, the melon seed were distributed last year to a number of experimental stations.

The reports on the result of the experiments were most satisfactory, and proved that the melons can be grown successfully in nearly every section of the United States. A report from Massachusetts states that the melons have a most delicious flavor and present the flattering "difficulty of finding any one person who will be satisfied with only one of the melons." The department, through Mr. Fairchild, is planning to grow a large quantity of the melons this year, and their merit being known to the managers of large hotels in Philadelphia and New York, the entire crop this year has been bought for those two hostleries, the price agreed on being three times that of the prevailing price of the native melons.

Of course the man whose long suit is watermelon eating will object to the size of the new product. A melon fiend like old man Hardy Montgomery, for instance, wouldn't be satisfied with less than a dozen or more of them at one sitting.

Mr. Stokes has some of the best beans in Chester county and naturally are very much in demand. A Lancaster lady spent one day last week with Mr. Stokes' family and among other appetizing dishes some stringed beans were on the table. The lady remarked that there were none in Lancaster large enough to eat. Mr. Stokes has been having beans for several weeks.

—Chester Lantern.

And so have a number of citizens of Lancaster, a fact of which "a Lancaster lady" evidently was not aware.

The publication in Wednesday's News of a letter from Texas asking some one here to furnish proof of the service in the Confederate army of Veteran Stansfield, of Galveston, that State, was productive of prompt results. As soon as Capt. L. J. Perry saw the published letter Wednesday he recalled the fact that Mr. Stansfield was a member of the Lancaster Grays, having enlisted as a drummer. Capt. Perry remembers his old comrade well and has often wondered what had become of him. The letter referred to has been answered both by Sheriff Hunter, who received it, and Capt. Perry.

The scout cars of the New York Herald and the Atlanta Journal, en route from Atlanta to New York, passed through several South Carolina cities and towns this week, among them Abbeville, Greenwood, Columbia, Camden and Darlington. As is well known, an effort is being made by those enterprising journals to establish a great automobile line between Washington and Atlanta. If Lancaster had made a united effort to get on the proposed line, as urged by The News, it might have succeeded, and it may not be too late yet to do something about the matter.

Death of Mrs. Harriet Knight.

Mrs. Harriet Knight, about 60 years of age, died at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, at the home of her son, Mr. Burrell Knight, east of Lancaster. She was a victim of cancer. The remains were buried Wednesday afternoon in the Funderburk grave yard. Mrs. Knight leaves four sons, Messrs. Burrell, James, George and John Knight, all of this county. She is also survived by the following brothers: Messrs. John, Alfred and Mart Knight.

Lame shoulder is almost invariably caused by rheumatism of the muscles and yields quickly to the free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment is not only prompt and effective, but in no way disagreeable to use. Sold by J. F. Mackey Co. and Funderburk Pharmacy.

FALLS 3,500 FEET AND LIVES.

Amateur Aviator in Nebraska Has Thrilling Experience.

Berwin, Neb., June 16.—A local inventor dropped 3,500 feet in a crippled aeroplane here today. He was not seriously hurt. The amateur aviator was U. Sorenson, a blacksmith, who in view of several hundred townsmen, made the ascent in a balloon and then attempted a descent in an aeroplane that he had constructed after several months labor. When he cut the aeroplane loose it began to descend at a terrific speed, turning over and over as it dropped. The inventor clung to the craft, and when it struck the ground he was in a sitting posture. The aeroplane was damaged, but Sorenson, although knocked senseless and sustaining numerous bruises was soon revived, not seriously worse off for his experience.

New Schedule to Go Into Effect on L. & C. Road.

A new schedule will become effective on the Lancaster & Chester railroad tomorrow. The early morning train will leave Lancaster 15 minutes earlier than at present, leaving at 6.30 instead of 6.45, and will arrive in Chester at 7.35 instead of 7.45. Returning, will reach here at same time as under the old schedule, namely, at 11.30 a. m. No change will be made in the time of departure of the afternoon train, which leaves Lancaster at 4 o'clock, but it will return here 5 minutes later in the evening, at 8.05 instead of 8 o'clock as at present.

Preaching at Home of Venerable Mr. Wm. Carnes.

Mr. Editor: On the 5th Sabbath in May, at 4 o'clock p. m., there was preaching at the home of Uncle Wm. Carnes. He is about 83 years of age, and is very feeble. The congregation was good, and the singing, rendered by the choir at Tabernacle, was excellent. He is a brother of Uncle Joshua Carnes. They are near the same age and live quite close together.

One Who Was There.
June 17, 1909.

Thief Gets 2 1-2 Years for Stealing Man's Last Penny.

New York, June 17.—Thomas Quayle was standing in front of a Fulton street lodging house one night six months ago, gazing pathetically at the last penny he had in the world, which he held in hand, when John Curran snatched it from him and ran away.

Curran has just been sentenced to a two and a half year term in Sing Sing prison for the theft.

Aged Minister Hurt in Runaway.

Spartanburg special in the News and Courier: The Bro. A. A. James, of Pacolet, an aged Presbyterian minister, was painfully injured by being thrown from his buggy while out driving with his granddaughter between Pacolet and Jonesville.

The horse took fright at an automobile, containing a party returning to Union from Spartanburg. Mr. James is well known in this county, having been pastor of one church for fifty-eight years. The buggy was overturned, and Mr. James was taken from under the wreck, bleeding from the nose. He was carried to his home by the members of the automobile party.

Young Man Charged With Assaulting Aunt.

Penacola, Fla., June 17.—A special from Andalusia, Ala., says that William Jeter, a young white man, is under arrest there on the charge of attempted criminal assault upon his aunt, aged 30. The assault is alleged to have

occurred at the home of the woman during the absence of her husband. Screams of the woman attracted passers-by and Jeter became frightened and ran, but was captured.

British Steamer Fired on by Russian Torpedo Boat.

Viborg, Finland, June 17.—A British steamer was fired upon by a Russian torpedo boat for approaching too close to the bay on the Finnish coast, where Emperor Nicholas and Emperor William met to-day.

The steamer is the Woodburn, Captain Robertson. She was hailed and fired upon last night off Wirolahti, Island of Biorke. The projectile from the torpedo boat pierced a steam pipe, and one member of the crew of the English vessel was wounded. The incident shows the extreme nervousness for the safety of Emperor Nicholas even at sea.

Dr. Moffatt to Remain President of Erskine.

Greenwood, June 16.—The trustees of Erskine college held a meeting here this afternoon, and it will be good news to the friends of the college everywhere to know that Dr. J. S. Moffatt withdrew his resignation, which it had been reported he would present.

The trustees raised the salaries of the president and professors. The honorary degree of LL. D. was conferred on Mr. J. P. Caldwell, editor of the Charlotte Observer.

Four Killed in Explosion.

Denver, Col., June 17.—Four men were killed and four injured in an explosion in the power plant of Denver Gas and Electric company last night. The plant was badly damaged.

Cotton yesterday, 10½

Special Notices.

We are requested to announce that a meeting of the patrons of Jacksonham School District will be held at Zion school house on Saturday, 26th instant, to nominate a board of trustees.

CURE YOUR KIDNEYS No Need to Take Any Further Risks.

Why will people continue to suffer the agonies of kidney complaint, back ache, urinary disorders, lameness, headaches, languor, why allow themselves to become chronic invalids, when a certain cure is offered them?

Doan's Kidney Pills is the remedy to use, because it gives to the kidneys the help they need to perform their work. If you have any, even one, of the symptoms of kidney diseases, cure your self now, before diabetes, dropsy or Bright's disease sets in. Can Lancaster residents demand more convincing proof than the following.

J. Henry Gladden, 191 Forest Ave., Chester, S. C., says: "Several years ago I was suffering from a severe pain in the small of my back which kept me in misery. In the morning upon first arising, I was often so lame and sore that I could hardly get up. Learning of Doan's Kidney Pills, I began using them and it required but three boxes to effect a complete cure. I gave a statement recommending this remedy on April 30, 1903 and am pleased to say that I have had little or no trouble with my kidneys since. I know Doan's Kidney Pills are a very reliable remedy and gladly recommend them."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-McMillan Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Notice to the Public.

Policeman W. H. Bell has been appointed Policeman of the Board of Health, and he is required to report in writing to the Board once in each month the condition of all premises in the town of Lancaster.

Resolution was regularly passed by Board that no complaint would be considered unless made in writing and signed by the party making it and handed to a member of the Board.

J. T. THOMASSON, Secretary.
H. HINES, Chairman.

Notice of Application for Discharge.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administrator of the estate of W. K. Marshall, deceased, will on Monday, July 19th, 1909, make his final return and apply to the Probate Court of Lancaster County for letters of dissolution as such administrator.
J. T. R. MARSHALL,
Administrator Estate of W. K. Marshall, deceased.
June 19, 1909.

National Bank Safety

NO 5

While National Banks having a surplus amounting to 20 per cent. of their capital are regarded as being absolutely safe, this bank has a surplus fund amounting to more than 80 per cent. of its capital.

The First National Bank of Lancaster

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The Only National Bank in Lancaster County

For Anything That You Want

Groceries,
Vegetables
and
Fruits

PHONE
NO. 13

W. L. Croxton & Co

Bridges to Let.

The following bridges, to be rebuilt and repaired, will be let by the County Supervisor and Engineer on the 22nd day of June, viz:

TO BE REPAIRED.

Small's bridge over Flat creek, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Other creek bridge, on New Cut road at Tabernacle, at 3 o'clock p. m.

TO BE REBUILT.

Bridge over South branch of Wild Cat creek at 11.30 o'clock a. m.

G. L. MOBLEY,
County Supervisor.

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J. C. FOSTER

Physician and Surgeon

Office over Crawford Bros. Drug Store

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DR. J. E. WELSH, DENTIST

Office in Emmons Building opposite First National Bank.
Phone No. 8.

LANCASTER, S. C.

Notice of Election

Whereas J. B. Mackorell, one of the Aldermen of the Town of Lancaster, S. C., having given in his resignation as such Alderman and it having been accepted by the Town Council of the Town of Lancaster, S. C., thereby creating a vacancy in said office.

Resolved by the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Lancaster, in Council assembled and by the authority of the same, that an election is hereby ordered to fill said vacancy, said election to be held on the 22nd day of June, 1909, the polls to be open from 8 o'clock A. M. until 4 o'clock P. M., and that J. T. Amos, C. W. Jones and J. T. Thomas are hereby appointed managers to hold said election.

Ratified this 10th day of June, 1909.
T. M. Hughes, Mayor.
Attested by: John Crawford, Clerk and Treasurer.

Notice.

The patrons of the several school districts in the county are requested to meet on Saturday June 26, 1909, at 4 p. m., and nominate three trustees to be appointed on the approval of the County Board of Education.

Reports must be in hands of Supt. of Ed., by July 1st, 1909.
A. C. Rowell, Chm.
J. H. Hamel, Secy.
H. E. Coffey,
Co. Bd. of Education.